



**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
REQUEST FOR FILING NATIONAL PATENT APPLICATION**

Hon. Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

WITH SIGNED DECLARATION

PATENT APPLICATION

NONPROVISIONAL
NON REISSUE
NON PCT NAT PHASE

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Sir

Herewith is the PATENT APPLICATION of
Inventor(s): MOREIN, Stephen L.

Title SYSTEM, METHOD, AND APPARATUS FOR EARLY
CULLING

including:

1. Specification: 20 pages (only spec. and claims) 2. Specification in non-English language
3. Declaration Original Facsimile/Copy Abstract 1 page(s); 44 numbered claims
4. Drawings: 13 sheet(s) informal; formal of size: A4 11"
5. See top first page re prior Provisional, National or International application(s). ("X" box only if info is there and do not complete item 6 or 7). (Prior M#) 281100 SN 60/330,676

This application claims benefit of the following prior US application(s), the contents of which are incorporated into this application by this reference:

No. / filed _____
No. / filed _____
No. / filed _____
No. PCT / filed _____ Which

designated the US and that International Application was was not published under PCT Article 21(2) in English.

7. See the attached Preliminary Amendment, which amends the specification to claim benefit of the above listed US application(s)

8. Attached is an assignment and cover sheet. Please return the recorded assignment to the undersigned.
9. Assignee (optional): ATI Technologies, Inc.

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10. FOREIGN priority is claimed under 35 U.S.C. 119(a)-(d)/365(b) based on filing in

11 (counties)

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(1)		(2)	
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(9)			<input type="checkbox"/> See 3 rd page for additional priorities

12. _____ (No.) Certified copy (copies): attached; previously filed (date) _____
in U.S. Application No. / filed on _____

is not claimed: is claimed (Pre-filing confirmation required)

13(a). Attached: _____
(No.) Small Entity Statement(s) (since 9/8/00 small entity statement(s) not essential to make claim)

13(b) See NONPUBLICATION REQUEST under Rule 213(a) attached (Pat-258)

14. **DOMESTIC/INTERNATIONAL** priority is claimed under 35 USC 119(e)/120/365(c) based on the following provisional, nonprovisional and/or PCT international application(s):

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(1)		(4)	
(2)		(5)	
(3)		(6)	

15. This application is being filed under Rule 53(b)(2) since an inventor is named in the enclosed Declaration who was not named in the prior application.

16. Attached:

17. Preliminary Amendment:

THE FOLLOWING FILING FEE IS BASED ON CLAIMS AS FILED LESS ANY ABOVE CANCELLED

			Large/Small Entity	Fee Code
18. Basic Filing Fee			\$740/\$370	\$740
19. Total Effective Claims	44	minus 20 =	*24	x \$18/\$9 = + 432
20. Independent Claims	4	minus 3 =	*1	x \$84/\$42 = + 84
				"If answer is zero or less, enter "0"
21. If any proper multiple dependent claim (ignore improper) is present, add (Leave this line blank if this is a reissue application)			+ \$280/\$140	+ 0
22.	TOTAL FILING FEE ENCLOSED =			\$1256
23. If "non-English" box 2 is X'd, add Rule 17(k) processing fee			+ \$130	+ 0
24. If "assignment" box 8 is X'd, add recording fee			+ \$40	+ 40
25. <input type="checkbox"/> Attached is a Petition/Fee under Rule No.			+ \$130	+ 0
26.	TOTAL FEE ENCLOSED =			\$1296

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This CHARGE STATEMENT does not authorize charge of the issue fee until/unless an issue fee transmittal form is filed.

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Intellectual Property Group

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